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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

OF COUNSEL URBAN A. LESTER

Mr. Vernon A. Williams Secretary Surface Transportation Board Washington, D.C. 20423

Dear Mr. Williams:

Enclosed for recordation pursuant to the provisions of 49 U.S.C. Section 11301(a) are two (2) copies of a Memorandum of Lease (Group 3), dated as of December 22, 2004, a primary document as defined in the Board's Rules for the Recordation of Documents.

The names and addresses of the parties to the enclosed document are:

Lessor:

Siemens Financial Services Limited

170 Wood Avenue South Iselin, New Jersey 08830

Lessee:

The Andersons, Inc. 480 Dussel Drive

Maumee, Ohio 43537

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A description of the railroad equipment covered by the enclosed document is:

164 railcars;

162 within the series TRNX 500000 - TRNX 500697 as more particularly set forth in the equipment schedule attached to the document, NAHX 475541, and NAHX 510541.

A short summary of the document to appear in the index is:

Memorandum of Lease (Group 3).

Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$32.00 payable to the order of the Surface Transportation Board covering the required recordation fee.

Kindly return stamped copies of the enclosed document to the undersigned.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Alvord

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MEMORANDUM OF LEASE (Group 3)

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WITNESSETH

SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

This Memorandum of Lease is entered into as of the 22nd day of December, 2004 (the "Lease Date"), by and between Siemens Financial Services, Inc., a Delaware corporation, having its principal place of business at 170 Wood Avenue South, Iselin, New Jersey 08830 ("Lessor"), and The Andersons, Inc., an Ohio corporation, having its principal place of business at 480 W. Dussel Drive, Maumee, OH 43537 ("Lessee").

- 1. Lessor and Lessee are parties to that certain Railcar Lease Agreement (Group 3) dated the Lease Date (the "Railcar Lease") and Equipment Schedule No. 1 dated the Lease Date (the "Schedule"), whereby Lessor leases to Lessee one hundred and sixty-four (164) railcars bearing railroad reporting marks as noted on attached Exhibit A (collectively, the "Railcars") for the term of seven (7) years starting on the Lease Date.
- 2. The parties have signed this Memorandum of Lease to memorialize of record at the Surface Transportation Board the Railcar Lease and Schedule.
- This Memorandum of Lease may be executed in one or two counterparts, each executed counterpart constituting an original, but altogether only one and the same Memorandum of Lease.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Memorandum of Lease as of the Lease Date.

LESSOR:
SIEMENS FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.
By: Of Information
Title: SVP
STATE OF New Jelenay)
STATE OF New Jelesay) SS: COUNTY OF Middlesox)
Before me, a Notary Public, in and for said county and state, personally appeared between work to senior vice desided of Siemens Financial Services, Inc., a Delaware corporation, who acknowledged that he being thereunto duly authorized, did sign the
foregoing instrument on behalf of said corporation and by authority of its Board of Directors on behalf of the corporation and that the same is the free act and deed of said officer and of said corporation.
In Testimony Whereof I have bereinto set my hand and official seal this ∂S^{col} day of

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Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

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My Commission Expires November 15, 2006

December, 2004.

LESSEE:

THE ANDERSONS, INC.

Name: Gary Smith

Title: Vice President Finance and Treasurer

STATE OF OHIO

COUNTY OF LUCAS

) SS:

Before me, a Notary Public, in and for said county and state, personally appeared Gary Smith, Vice President Finance and Treasurer of The Andersons, Inc., an Ohio corporation, who acknowledged that he being thereunto duly authorized, did sign the foregoing instrument on behalf of said corporation and by authority of its Board of Directors on behalf of the corporation and that the same is the free act and deed of said officer and of said corporation.

22 nd In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal at Maumee, Ohio this day of December, 2004.

Notary Public My Commission Expires: 4-10-2009

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EXHIBIT A to Memorandum of Lease - Group 3

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Customer Name	Mark	Number	Code	Bullder	<u>Date</u>
The Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad	NAHX	475541	C113	PULLMAN CO.	8/1/1974
The Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad	TRNX	500000	C113	TRINITY	9/1/1979
The Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad	TRNX	500003	C113	TRINITY	1/1/1979
The Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad	TRNX	500007	C113	TRINITY	8/1/1979
The Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad	TRNX	500013	C113	TRINITY	9/1/1979
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The Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad	TRNX	500015	C113	TRINITY	8/1/1979
The Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad	TRNX	500016	C113	TRINITY	4/1/1979
The Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad	TRNX	500017	Ç113	TRINITY	9/1/1979
The Burlington Northern Santa Fe Rallroad	TRNX	500018	C113	TRINITY	1/1/1979
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The Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad	TRNX	500030	C113	TRINITY	6/1/1979
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CERTIFICATION

I, Robert W. Alvord, attorney licensed to practice in the State of New York and the District of Columbia, do hereby certify under penalty of perjury that I have compared the attached copy with the original thereof and have found the copy to be complete and identical in all respects to the original document.

Dated: 12/22/04

Robert W. Alvord